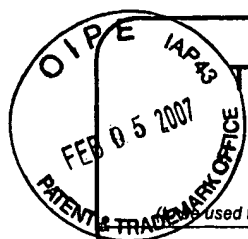


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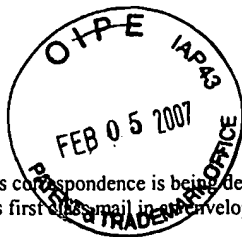
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AMENDMENT AFTER ALLOWANCE
UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.312

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Sir:

In response to the Notice of Allowance mailed January 9, 2007, please enter this Amendment After Allowance to correct the file records in the Image File Wrapper. This document is being submitted under 37 C.F.R. § 1.312 to ensure that the Office file for this application contains an accurate and correct record of communications. The application itself is not being amended.

After receipt of the Notice of Allowance, the file for this matter was reviewed, whereupon it was noted that the Image File Wrapper record at the Web site of the Office contains an unreadable portion of text from the Amendment filed on October 27, 2006.

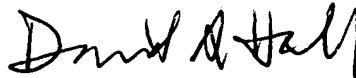
On November 7, 2006, the undersigned was informed by telephone call from the Examiner that page 14 of the Amendment filed October 27, 2006 had a portion of text with one line superimposed on another, making both lines unreadable. A conversion error when the document was uploaded to PDF format for EFS filing was apparently responsible for the unreadable text. The Examiner requested a replacement page, which was faxed to the Examiner's fax number on November 7, 2006.

The Notice of Allowance was mailed after the Examiner's receipt of the Amendment and the corrected page. The Office image file wrapper (IFW), however, contains the Amendment with the superimposed text. Applicants would like to ensure a correct IFW and therefore submit this Amendment After Final with the entire "Remarks" section from the October 27, 2006 amendment, containing the clear text as reviewed by the Examiner. Attached as an Appendix to this submission is the entire "Remarks" section of that earlier amendment, comprising pages 13 through 16 of the amendment, with the correctly printed page 14.

Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to enter this Amendment After Final and thereby ensure that the IFW accurately reflects the documents considered during prosecution of this application. This amendment makes no change to the application itself. It is submitted that entry is proper and requires no action on the merits.

If the Examiner believes that further discussion would assist the correction, then the Examiner is asked to please call the undersigned at 858-350-6100.

Respectfully submitted,



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